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To Whom it May Concern:

I am writing with concern about Docket #98N-1038, "Irradiation in the production, processing and handling of food." In the interest of my health and the health of my growing children, I do not want to eat foods irradiated from any source other than the sun itself. If this artificial irradiation must be used, then I urge you to require prominent labeling, using the terms "irradiated" or "irradiation" and use the radura symbol. I think terms such as "cold pasteurization" and "electronic pasteurization" are misleading and should not be used. I want the right to choose foods with the least processing and the highest vitamin retention, especially in foods with a short shelf-life. I do not want to eat foods that "look" good, but are compromised nutritionally due to age.

Thank you for your time.

Sincerely,

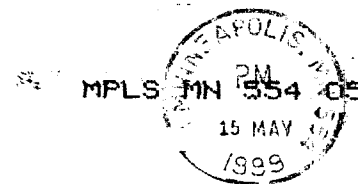
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